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Approval of Amendment to the Wildlife Corridors for Flood Escape on the Yolo Bypass Wildlife Area Grant Agreement

Project Title	Wildlife Corridors for Flood Escape on the Yolo Bypass Wildlife Area		
Applicant	Yolo County Resource Conservation District		
Project Number	Prop 1-Y1-2015-016	Category	Implementation
Award Year	2015	Original Award Budget	\$688,196
County	Yolo	Amended Budget	\$693,446
Amendment Reque	est 🛛 Term	Scope Budget	

Amendment Description

The budget and term of the Wildlife Corridors for Flood Escape on the Yolo Bypass Wildlife Area Project (#Prop 1-Y1-2015-016), proposed by Yolo County Resource Conservation District, have been amended to allow the grantee to complete additional modeling to meet new requirements for permitting. The budget has been increased by \$5,250 to pay for 2-D modeling to show the project's negligible effect on the Yolo Bypass, a step necessary to obtain a flood encroachment permit from the Central Valley Flood Protection Board. This is a new requirement that was added after the grantee originally submitted the application. The funding term of the grant agreement has been extended by 1 year, from February 1, 2021 to February 1, 2022, in order to accommodate the delays caused by this permitting issue. To reduce the length of this delay, the Executive Officer used his authority to approve amendments that are time sensitive and under \$50,000.

Project Description

This project constructs two new wildlife escape corridors that stretch across the Yolo Bypass Wildlife Area for a total of approximately five miles. These corridors will provide cover to help deer, furbearers, and other wildlife escape rising water levels and move to higher ground during a flood event. They will also provide new and enhanced year-round habitat for a variety of nesting birds and pollinators.

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